

TALK OF THE TRACK

Speculations on the Winners in the Great

FURNITURE CITY MEETING

White Alerton Can Beat Any Single Horse in the Stallion Race, the Field Will Hurtle Him.

The initial meeting of the western circuit will occur next week at Sturgis. The circuit includes Grand Rapids, Chicago, Independence, Fort Wayne, Richmond, Cambridge City, Terre Haute, St. Louis, Nashville, Columbia and Birmingham, Ala., forming a line of meetings of greater strength than any previously formed, not excepting the so-called grand circuit. "Down the big line" has heretofore been understood to mean a trip through the Grand circuit, which is usually composed of the Cleveland, Buffalo, Rochester, Springfield, New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh associations, but the glory of the old line is completely eclipsed by its young and vigorous western rival. The eastern circuit has been forced to reduce its entry fees from 10 to 5 per cent, but it followed its young leader very reluctantly, and could not come down at once to its 5 per cent rate, but exacts an additional 5 per cent from all winners. The memory of many an unwholesome job down the old line lingers with honest horsemen and with the public generally, and the result is that its grand stands are not as well filled as formerly and the class of horses that will remain in the old circuit after the beginning of the western-southern will be composed mainly of the "has-been" class, which would be entirely outclassed by those that will compete for the rich stakes and big purses in the west. Then, too, the class of drivers and owners that will prefer the old to the new are mainly those that "stand in" with the judges, and who are loath to forsake their old haunts for a field where honest racing is the rule and where the combinations of dishonest drivers and judges are forced to secure the purses and rob the box.

Cleveland is the Gathering Point. Cleveland, while not the beginning of the grand circuit, is a gathering point for the harness racers from the east and west, and from there most of the great stables will turn back to the kite track at Sturgis, but a few by special arrangement will go on to Buffalo and come direct from there to Grand Rapids. Chief among these latter may be mentioned the champion pair, Direct, 2:36, and Alton, 2:09, that are to renew in Buffalo their series of memorable contests which were begun last season at Terre Haute, when the little black stallion met his only defeat of the year, though the race still remains the fastest for the harness race on record. The game little California had his revenge later on, beating the big Tennessee gelding twice on his own native heath, lowering the race record each time, the last still remaining the record, for three heats, 2:06, 2:08, 2:09. No other two horses have been so evenly matched for speed and those that know them best can only guess the winner. Direct has been in the stud in California and Kentucky this season, and his training for the meeting at Buffalo has, of course, been somewhat short, so it is probable that he will fall an easy prey to his mighty antagonist, who has the advantage of a long preparation, over a covered track early in the season, and has gone a number of fast miles, the fastest of which is the one at Detroit in 2:04, showing that he is in the best of his old form before. The Buffalo race will edge both for a supreme effort, when they come together at Grand Rapids week after next, and it is predicted that it will be one of the most sensational races ever seen on the turf.

Colt Trotting. Colt trotting has come rapidly into favor and with the cream of the produce of the great breeding establishments, great racing for the colts stakes will be the result. It is probable that the 3-year-old race will be the fastest ever trotted as the entries comprise the very best 3-year-olds of last season. Monitors, 2:16, the greatest race horse of his age yet produced, will probably be the winner, but there are several others that were phenomenal colts a year ago, and may not have a mortgage on first money after all. An unknown quantity in this race is the Village Farm entry, Beautiful Chimney, and Mr. Hamlin says he will beat Suno's 3-year-old mark of 2:10, and Mr. Hamlin usually knows when he speaks. The pick of the Hamlin stable will be at Grand Rapids in charge of the "silent man from Tennessee," Ed Geers. It will be "worth the price of admission" to see this greatest of all great teamsters coming up the center of the track driving as only he can drive, not a muscle of his weather-beaten face moving, and by his invisible power bringing his horse to the very winner by just a neck. But there will be other knights of the sulky there, the very mention of whose names brings to mind a flood of memories of great battles of the turf. Doble, the "Field Marshall," with Nancy Hanks, the greatest race mare, will drive for the world's record, and if everything is favorable 2:04 will no longer be the mark. Then Marvin will be there with Suno, 2:04, the reigning queen and she will endeavor to protect her laurels. Marvin will have Arion, 2:10, at two years of age.

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the greatest wonder in the horse world and the high speed horse of the age. McHenry will be there in the Cleveland, 2:10, and Guy, 2:11, Johnny Decker, 2:12, so long known as the "hot driver" that the title seems a little stale; John G. Hamlin, who can drive a horse to the "Queen's table," and Otto Hickok of St. Julien and St. Paul. There will be there, C. W. Williams, the most prominent figure in the horse business, will bring Alerton, the greatest race horse of the time. Starr, with Direct, Vic H and Flying Jim—they'll all be there.

The Association's Liberality. The unexpected liberality of the association in Cleveland, in hanging up a \$10,000 purse without an entrance fee for a stallion race, has called out a list of entries containing the names of sixteen of the very best aged stallions in training. Alerton, "the king," will start as the favorite, but there are indications of horsemen that doubt his ability to beat the gang, though all concede that he could easily defeat any one of them single handed. No such field of horses ever came together in a race before. In the field could be divided and yet either division be greater than any starter has yet called up for the world. Every one knows of Alerton, and the mention of him need not be accompanied with any lecture. It is sufficient to say that he never was so fine a horse in his life as he is now. Judging from public opinion his principal antagonist will be the big Canadian stallion, Alvin, 2:14. Alvin is every inch a race horse and is always a hard horse to beat. He can trot in the mud or on a good track and he makes no mistakes. He is as big as a cart horse and can go any number of heats.

Never Let It Be. One day two years ago he was finishing a best in a grand circuit race, a big Newfoundland dog ran across the track in front of him, and every one held their breath, expecting a terrible accident, but he sent the dog rolling yards away and left his life unchanged. He is a horse that is a hard one to beat. Another horse that is always a hard one to beat is the blind grandson of Nutwood, Cheyenne, 2:14. Then Delmar, 2:11, has trotted the third heat of a winning race in 2:12. He is in the McHenry's stable and driven by that master mechanic is dangerous in any company. Belmont must not be overlooked. He is in Doble's string and looks fine as silk, and if the race should be split up he will be worth something along with the rest of the great horses. McKinney, 2:12, the best son of Alcyon, was coming from California, but they say he has received an injury by a kick from another horse that has knocked him out for a time at least. Many do not think that Quas, 2:14, can win a piece of money but the driver, Mr. Mercer, who used to be a schoolmaster in Salt Lake City, trains him according to what is termed the "Sunday school method," that is, no whiskey, no tobacco and no profanity, and he was successful last year in putting a mark on the green horse that has been beaten by only fifteen stallions in all the thousands that have been sent for fast records. These are only a few of the more prominent starters in the great stallion stake, and the winner may not have been thought of. The exhibition of the Hamlin two-horse team is one of the grandest sights ever seen on any track. The expressions of admiration which were given them when they made their record of 2:14 at Cleveland last year, and will never forget how they step like soldiers. Mr. Hamlin says they can trot together in 2:10 and Grand Rapids will be as likely to be the place where they will do it as any.

Is a Prize Winner. Elmer Curtis, a bicycle rider of this city, succeeded in capturing a fine medal as the first prize in a two-mile race at Detroit last Friday. The time was slow, being about eight minutes.

MERRY CHIMES A WONDER. He Wins a Race in Seven Heats at Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, July 30.—The last day of the grand circuit meeting was the greatest of the meeting. The fight in the 2:23 pace was a grand one and stamps Merry Chimes, one of a 4-year-old, as one of the greatest race horses of the country. 2:20 class, trotting, purse \$2,000.—Alvin won, Miss Alice second, New York Central third; best time, 2:16. 2:25 class, pacing, purse \$1,500.—Merry Chimes won, Walnut Boy second, Hal Dillard third, Shawhan fifth; seven heats; best time, 2:14. 2:25 class, trotting, purse \$2,000.—Cleo won, Bon Home second, Mary Mac third; best time, 2:19.

ANOTHER BICYCLE MEETING. Arrangements Being Made for One on Labor Day. Arrangements are not as yet completed for the bicycle meet that Studley & Barclay propose to give on Labor day, but indications point to an eminently successful meeting of racers, and it is probable that time will be made in some of the events. Prizes aggregating \$300 will be offered and will attract persons that are interested in the sport from many surrounding towns. The program is not yet completed, but will consist of several track races and a road race. Several men of considerable ability have signified their intention of entering.

Garfield Park Races. CHICAGO, July 30.—There were 8,000 persons at Garfield park today in six races. Tom Murphy was the only favorite to win. The track was slow. First race, 2-year-olds, three-fourths of a mile—Princess Lorraine won, Columbia second, Betty Badger third; time, 1:34. Second, selling, six furlongs—No Remark won, Mitchell second, Kansas Ranger third; time, 1:17. Third, selling, one mile and seventy yards—Churchill Clark won, Julius Sax second, Fakir third; time, 1:32. Fourth, handicap, nine furlongs—Valley won, Margold second, Major Tom third; time, 1:50. Fifth, three-fourths of a mile—Tim Murphy won, Bobby Beach second, Hart Wallace third; time, 1:07. Sixth, selling, three-fourths of a mile—Consigue won, Empress Frederick second, Black Beauty third; time, 1:18.

Hawthorne Races. CHICAGO, July 30.—Hawthorne today was marked by the atrocious work of Starter Gilman, as in only two events did he send his field off on anything like equal terms. The track was slow and four favorites won. First race, five-eighths of a mile—Queen of Riddles won, Patience third; time, 1:07. Second, handicap, nine furlongs—Not Away won, Brookwood second, Hume third; time, 2:03. Third, selling, one and one-eighth miles—Bodine won, Consigue second, Black Duke third; time, 1:57. Fourth, selling, three-fourths of a mile—

Nancy Hanks won, Harry Ashe second, Arion third; time, 1:24. Fifth, selling, three-fourths of a mile—Sir Boris won, Famine second, Billy Puckerton third; time, 1:21. Sixth, handicap, six furlongs—Short course—Sycamore won, Aristocrat second, Evening Star third; time, 1:15. Seventh, three-fourths of a mile—Dead heat between Mary Stone and Cactus. Dagonet third; time, 1:13; purse divided.

Running at St. Paul. ST. PAUL, July 30.—Eight hundred people saw Ray's, a 15 to 1 chance, win the Twin City merchants' handicap from a field of seven, including the Kendall stakes, Cleveland. Summary: First race, one mile—Dobson won, Bernard second, Lord Willowbrook third; time, 1:44. Second, five-eighths of a mile—Calhoun won, Bridal Veil second, Snarley the Snuggler third; time, 1:04. Third, three-quarters of a mile—Carroll Reid won, Taso second, All Farrow third; time, 1:17. Fourth, mile and seventy yards, Twin City merchants' handicap, worth \$2,500 to the winner—Ray S won, Bonnie Byrd second, Semper Fidel third; time, 1:46. Fifth, one mile—Maid Marian won; Iron Rod second, Van third; time, 1:44.

YESTERDAY'S BASE BALL. The Chicagoes Lambasted Twice at Cleveland. PITTSBURGH, July 30.—Pittsburgh played a miserable game against Louisville today and suffered a bad defeat. Clausen's work was good and he was finely supported. Baldwin was batted hard, so hard that Terry took his place in the fifth inning.

Pittsburgh—0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0—2 5 5
Louisville—0 0 3 4 1 0 0 0—5 12 0
CLEVELAND, July 30.—Cleveland and Chicago played two games of ball this afternoon. In the first the Colts hit into Youngs curves in the start and hammered out three runs, and after that they could not touch him. Cleveland won the second game by rattling good stick work and because the Chicagoes made a couple of wild throws at the wrong time. Attendance 3,000.

First game.
Cleveland—0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0—5 10 0
Chicago—0 0 3 4 1 0 0 0—5 12 0
Second game.
Cleveland—0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 9 16
Chicago—0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—0 5 7
New York, July 30.—The New Yorks played Brooklyn at every point. About 2,700 persons witnessed the game, the principal features of which were the pitching of Busie and the fielding of the New Yorks.

First game.
Cleveland—0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0—5 10 0
Brooklyn—0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 3 7
CINCINNATI, July 30.—Chamberlain was wild at the start, and nearly threw the game away in the first inning. Rhines took his place and pitched good ball. The Reds hit Gleason at the right time and won out.

Cincinnati—0 4 3 1 0 0 0 0—8 9 1
St. Louis—0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 1 1
WASHINGTON, July 30.—Duryea pitched a very effective game against the Baltimore today, but the support he received was execrable, not one of either runs scored being earned. The errors were all made at most critical stages of the game.

Washington—0 0 0 0 0 1 0 2—5 7 7
Baltimore—0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0—3 4 3
Boston, July 30.—Philadelphia in the first part of the game started out like winners, but in the second Boston had a great batting streak, making six hits, and Duffy finishing up the slug with a home run with three on bases. Philadelphia struggled hard, but could not overcome Boston's lead. Knell went in in the sixth, but was wild and Boston added to their score.

Boston—1 0 1 0 1 0 1 0—11 12 6
Philadelphia—3 1 0 0 1 0 0 1—11 7 6
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